## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE Re: Appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences

Appe	llants:	Simionescu et al.	Examiner: Pr	eeti Kumar			
Serial No: 10/722,142 )			Group Art Unit: 1796				
Filed: 11/24/2003 )			Deposit Account No: 04-1403				
Confi	rmation	No: 4675	Customer No: 22827				
Title: Fixation Method for Bioprostheses )			Attorney Docket No: CXU-379				
1.	NOTICE OF APPEAL: Pursuant to 37 CFR 41.31, Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Appeals from the decision dated of the Examiner twice/finally rejecting claims						
2.		<b>BRIEF</b> on appeal in this application pursuant to 37 CFR 41.37 is transmitted herewith (1 copy).					
3.		An <b>ORAL HEARING</b> is respectfully requested under 37 CFR 41.47 (due within two months after Examiner's Answer).					
4.		Reply Brief under 37 CFR 41.4	•	d herewith (1 o	copy).		
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